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REISSUE APPLICATION DECLARATION BY THE INVENTOR

Docket Number (Optional)

105199-638-RI

I hereby declare that:

Each inventor's residence, mailing address and citizenship are stated below next to their name.

I believe the inventors named below to be the original and first inventor(s) of the subject matter which is described and claimed in patent number 5,431,245 B1 granted August 13, 2002 and for which a reissue patent is sought on the invention entitled Window Shade

the specification of which

☒ is attached hereto.☐ was filed on _____ as reissue application number _____and was amended on _____
(if applicable)

I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56.

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I verily believe the original patent to be wholly or partly inoperative or invalid, for the reasons described below. (Check all boxes that apply.)

☐ by reason of a defective specification or drawing.☒ by reason of the patentee claiming more or less than he had the right to claim in the patent.☐ by reason of other errors.

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All errors corrected in this reissue application arose without any deceptive intention on the part of the applicant.

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**REISSUE APPLICATION DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY
(BY INVENTOR(S) OR ASSIGNEE)
(ADDED PAGE)**

This broadening reissue application is being filed to correct errors in US Patent 6,431,245 (the '245 patent). Applicant submits that the issued claims 1 and 2 (the sole claims of the '245 patent) contain at least one error, which is relied on to support the basis for this application. Independent claim 1 recites:

1. A window shade comprising:

a top rail having an arresting member at one end thereof, said top rail having a first actuating member at a center thereof, said top rail having a second actuating member at an end opposite said arresting member;

a shade body fastened at a top side to said top rail, said shade body having a plurality of cross pleats extending in spaced parallel relation to said top rail, said shade body having a bottom tube at a bottom side thereof, said bottom tube having two bottom cross rods fitted into opposite ends of said bottom tube, said shade body having a middle tube in a middle section thereof, said middle tube having a middle cross rod fitted thereinto, said bottom tube having an annular body affixed at a center thereof,

a locating member positioned below said arresting member by a distance;

a first side pull cord having one end connected to said locating member, said first side pull cord having another end connected to said middle tube of said shade body via said first actuating member and said second actuating member and said plurality of cross pleats of said shade body;

a middle pull cord having one end connected to said locating member, said middle pull cord having an opposite end connected to said annular body of said bottom tube via said arresting member and said first actuating member; and

a second side pull cord having one end connected to said locating member, said second side pull cord having an opposite end connected to said middle tube via said arresting member; and

an active pull cord having a top end fastened to said locating member. (Emphasis added)

Claim 2 depends from claim 1 and includes all of the elements of claim 1.

Applicant submits that the issued claims 1 and 2 recite less than patentee had the right to claim in the '245 patent because of unnecessary limitations in the claims. At least some these unnecessary limitations are: "said bottom tube having an annular body affixed at a center thereof"; "a locating member positioned below said arresting member by a distance;" "said middle pull cord having an opposite end connected to said annular body of said bottom tube" and "an active pull cord having a top end fastened to said locating member". To correct the claim errors, submitted herewith are new claims that do not contain the unnecessarily limiting language.

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INDICATION FORM**

Application Number	09/739,609
Filing Date	October 30, 2003
First Named Inventor	Chang Han Shen
Title	Window Shade
Art Unit	
Examiner Name	
Attorney Docket Number	105199-638-RI

I hereby appoint:

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☐ Applicant/Inventor.☒ Assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71.
Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96)**SIGNATURE of Applicant or Assignee of Record**

Name Nelson T. G. Yang

Signature

Date October 29, 2003

Telephone 973-992-1990

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STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)Applicant/Patent Owner: N T Y International Corp.Application No./Patent No.: 6,431,245 B1 Filed/Issue Date: August 13, 2002Entitled: Window Shade

N T Y International Corp., a Corporation
 (Name of Assignee) (Type of Assignee, e.g., corporation, partnership, university, government agency, etc.)

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The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee.

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Nelson T. G. Yang

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Title

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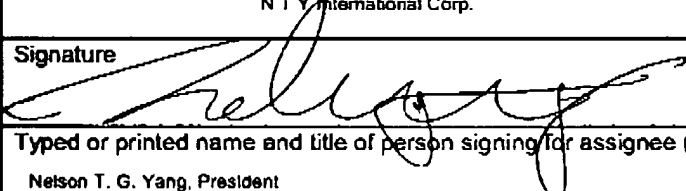
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This is part of the application for a reissue patent based on the original patent identified below.		
Name of Patentee(s) Chang Han Shen		
Patent Number 6,431,245 B1	Date Patent Issued August 13, 2002	
Title of Invention Window Shade		
<p>1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Filed herein is a statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b). (Form PTO/SB/96)</p> <p>2. <input type="checkbox"/> Ownership of the patent is in the inventor(s), and no assignment of the patent is in effect.</p> <p>One of boxes 1 or 2 above must be checked. If multiple assignees, complete this form for each assignee. If box 2 is checked, skip the next entry and go directly to "Name of Assignee".</p> <p>The written consent of all assignees and inventors owning an undivided interest in the original patent is included in this application for reissue.</p>		
The assignee(s) owning an undivided interest in said original patent is/are <u>N T Y International Corp.</u> and the assignee(s) consents to the accompanying application for reissue.		
Name of assignee/inventor (if not assigned) N T Y International Corp.		
Signature 	Date 11-07-2003	
Typed or printed name and title of person signing for assignee (if assigned) Nelson T. G. Yang, President		

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